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Title: USE OF GROWTH HORMONE RELEASING FACTOR ANALOGS IN

TREATING PATIENTS SUFFERING FROM WASTING

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the communication mailed February 4, 2009, the period of response being extended from March 4, 2009 to May 4, 2009.

Payment in the amount of \$490.00 is being submitted via credit card to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 13-2725, and credit any overpayment to the credit card used for payment of fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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